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Dear Requester:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Form OPCA-16a:

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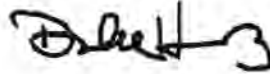
- ☐ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning other Government agency(ies) [OGA]. This information has been:
 - ☐ referred to the OGA for review and direct response to you.
 - ☐ referred to the OGA for consultation. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is finished.

☒ You have the right to appeal any denials in this release. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001 within sixty days from the date of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☐ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown, when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s). Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

☒ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
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Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

Material responsive to your specific request is enclosed.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NORFOLK (100-0)

DATE: 12/10/70

FROM : ASAC JOHN J. CONEYS

SUBJECT: DAVID E. GUMAER
ALLEGED SECURITY INFORMANT

[redacted] news commentator, WVEC, telephonically advised this date that subject alleges that he is a former FBI undercover operative and is scheduled to talk at the Norfolk Center Theater Friday, 12/11/70, at 8:15 p.m. He is sponsored by the Truth About Civil Turmoil Committee. [redacted] advised that he has conducted an interview of the subject by means of video tape, and because of some of his far-out statements on DEAN RUSK and other matters, he has doubts about putting the interview on the air, which he had planned for Friday morning 12/11/70.

The only reference to GUMAER in Norfolk files is 105-546-64, which indicates that he was to speak 9/17/70 at the Churchland High School auditorium and was being sponsored by the Portsmouth - Chesapeake Truth About Civil Turmoil Committee. The leaflet announcing this speech described him as an undercover operative for the FBI and other law enforcement organizations concerning SDS and student groups.

Supervisor [redacted] Domestic Intelligence Division, after viewing both security and racial informant files advised that subject is not and has never been an informant.

[redacted] was advised that under the name GUMAER we have no record of his having furnished information to the FBI in an undercover capacity. [redacted] stated that he plans not to use the video tape and volunteered to make it available should one of our Agents care to hear it. [redacted] was informed that SA [redacted] would like to view the tape.

This is for record purposes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NORFOLK (100-0)

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: DAVID EMERSON GUMAER
ALLEGED SECURITY INFORMANT

DATE: 1/15/71

Re memo of ASAC JOHN J. CONEYS, 12/10/70.

On 12/11/70, [REDACTED] WVEC TV, Norfolk, Va., advised that approximately one week prior to this interview, a man whose name she does not recall, but who stated that he represents the "Truth About Civil Turmoil Committee (TACT)", telephonically contacted her and inquired as to whether or not the television station would be interested in interviewing the subject who allegedly had been an undercover agent for the Chicago PD and the FBI. This individual gave [REDACTED] a telephone number of [REDACTED] and the address of [REDACTED] where he could be contacted. It is noted that this is the address of [REDACTED] a known member of the John Birch Society in the Norfolk, Virginia, area.

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] an employee of WVEC TV, interviewed the subject on 12/10/70.

On 12/11/70 [REDACTED] made available a video tape of the above-mentioned interview by [REDACTED]. During the interview, GUMAER indicated that he felt that the Communist world was succeeding in their plot to take over the United States and he made several allegations that members of high ranking positions in the U. S. Government have been or are presently members of the Communist Party. Among those he referred to was former Secretary of State Dean Rusk, Robert McNamara and others. During the interview, GUMAER admitted that he had been an undercover agent for the Chicago PD at one time, however, no time during the interview did he ever

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indicate that he had been an informant in any capacity for the FBI. It is to be noted that GUMAER did not back up his allegations and just made general statements during the interview.

The above is submitted for information purposes.